## **PATENT**

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## RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir:

In response to the Interview Summary mailed April 15, 2009, to which a telephonic interview was conducted on April 8, 2009 with Applicant's representatives, claims 7 and 15 were discussed. As noted in the Interview Summary with regard to claim 7, § 112 rejections, proposed limitations regarding selecting a test compound that binds protein were discussed. Proposed limitations to claim 7 regarding active steps of detecting decreased growth or regarding specific reagents, as in claim 15, were also discussed with regard to the teachings of the prior art.

Applicants advise that a formal response to the outstanding Office Action will be submitted in due course addressing these issues raised by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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